

Business leader Harold Clough passes away at 95

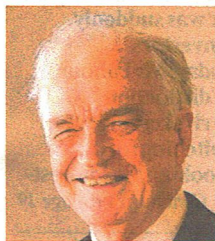
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Harold Clough, a titan of the Western Australian business community who was also a passionate advocate for closer ties with Indonesia, has died. He was 95.

Clough helped grow his family's namesake business, founded by his father John in 1919, into a major engineering and construction group that worked on some of Western Australia's most prominent projects such as Perth's Narrows Bridge and the Barrow Island oilfields.

In the 1960s he led Clough Group's expansion into Asia, establishing offices in Indonesia, Singapore, Thailand and Hong Kong.

Indonesia was a particular area of interest for Dr Clough throughout his life. He drove the company's purchase of Indonesian oil and gas services com-



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pany Petrosea and personally explored the country's jungles for resources.

He was also a passionate advocate for the field of engineering, establishing a scholarship that was focused on nurturing young engineering students from across Asia.

Dr Clough was also heavily influential in politics and policy. He became the president of the Employers' Federation in WA.

Clough Group became a major supporter of the Institute of Public Affairs.